1	2	3	4
5.	Chandigarh	7	4
6.	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	19	6
7.	Daman and Diu	13	4
8.	Goa	24	8
9.	Gujarat	660	112
10.	Haryana	94	22
11.	Himachal Pradesh	26	6
12.	Jammu and Kashmir	2	1
13.	Jharkhand	4	2
14.	Karnataka	176	75
15.	Kerala	49	15
16.	Madhya Pradesh	147	18
17.	Maharashtra	1701	496
18.	New Delhi	448	158
19.	Orissa	33	11
20.	Puducherry	2	1
21.	Punjab	120	32
22.	Rajasthan	113	26
23.	Tamil Nadu	382	152
24.	Uttar Pradesh	140	38
25.	Uttaranchal	6	3
26.	West Bengal	306	114
	Grand Total	4887	1429

Measures to curb inflation

385. SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether with information including a 40 month high of 7.41 per cent on 11 April, 2008 Government has constituted any contingency measures to curb inflation;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps since taken thereon along with the outcome thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL): (a) to (c) Year-on-year inflation measured in terms of Wholesale Price Index for the week ending October 4, 2008 was provisionally estimated at 11.44 per cent. Monthly year-on year inflation since April 2005 has been as under:

Table 1: Year on year inflation (%)

Month	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
April	5.91	3.86	6.28	8.04
May	5.55	4.73	5.46	8.86
June	4.32	5.12	4.53	11.82
July	4.29	4.83	4.71	12.36
Aug.	3.66	5.12	4.14	12.49 (P)
Sep.	4.06	5.38	3.51	12.04 (P)
Oct.	4.71	5.51	3.11	
Nov.	4.21	5.50	3.25	
Dec.	4.45	5.68	3.84	
Jan.	4.08	6.37	4.50	
Feb.	4.03	6.36	5.27	
Mar.	3.85	6.61	7.48	

Government is monitoring the price situation on a regular basis and containment of inflation remains high on its agenda. Anti-inflationary policies of the government include fiscal measures, rationalization of duties of essential items, effective supply-demand management of essential commodities through liberal tariff and trade policies, and strengthening the public distribution system. The Monetary policy of Reserve Bank of India, through an increase in cash reserve ratio (CRR) and increase in Repo rates, while being conducive to economic growth, has attempted to contain inflationary expectations arising out of uncertainties in domestic and international environment. There has been some moderation in inflation in recent weeks from its peak of 12.91 per cent as on August 2, 2008 to 11.44 per cent (provisional) as on October 4, 2008. It is expected that the declining trend would continue in the coming months.

Black money in circulation

386. SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated amount of unaccounted money in circulation in the country; and

(b) the amount of black-money so far seized by Government agencies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM): (a) There is no exact estimate of unaccounted money in circulation in the